



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Chief Administrative Officer

At its meeting held Wednesday, June 7, 2006, the Board took the following action:

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The following statement was entered into the record for Supervisor Knabe:

"The current price of gasoline in Southern California ranges anywhere between \$3.20 to \$3.50 per gallon. Those of us that live in Los Angeles County and California, in general, are paying some of the highest prices in the Country for gasoline. Filling up the gas tank should not break the bank every time we fill up.

"Besides the already high crude oil, refinery, and retail costs that are paid every time at the pump, we here in Los Angeles County are paying on top of all other costs approximately \$.65 in taxes. The California sales tax makes up the largest portion of these taxes. If the California sales tax on gasoline was reduced by fifty percent, it could save those who fill up in California approximately 1.9 billion dollars a year. It could save almost 500 million dollars in Los Angeles County alone.

"I therefore recommend that the Board go on record in support of a 50% reduction in California sales tax on the purchase of gasoline; and direct the Chief Administrative Officer to send correspondence to Governor Schwarzenegger and the Los Angeles County Legislative Delegation, urging support and early enactment of legislation to reduce California sales tax on the purchase of gasoline by 50%."

After discussion, on motion of Supervisor Yaroslavsky, seconded by Supervisor Molina, duly carried by the following vote: Ayes: Supervisors Molina, Burke and Yaroslavsky; Noes: Supervisors Knabe and Antonovich, Supervisor Knabe's aforementioned recommendation was continued to Budget Deliberations set to begin on June 26, 2006.

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